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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS, HELD IN THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY,
AUGUST 31, 1905, AT 8 P. M.

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President LEUSCHNER. A quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved

Resolved, That the Laws Observatory, University of Missouri, be placed upon the list of corresponding institutions.

The Society receives gratis the numbers of the Bulletin of the Laws Observatory.

The Treasurer reported that, by order of the Finance Committee, the fourteen savings-bank accounts of the Permanent Funds (see Annual Statement, No. 101, page 87) have been distributed as follows:—

Life Membership Fund	\$9:8 83	with German Savings and Loan Society.
Montgomery Library Fund	438 33	" Security Savings Bank.
Donohoe Comet-Medal Fund	760 74	" San Francisco Savings Union.
Bruce Medal Fund	671 08	" Mutual Savings Bank.
John Dolbeer Fund	985 50	" Union Trust Company.

AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS.

The following amendment to the by-laws was duly adopted by the consenting votes of nine Directors, namely: MESSRS. AITKEN, BABCOCK, BURCKHALTER, CAMPBELL, CROCKER, CUSHING, LEUSCHNER, TOWNLEY, ZIEL.

ARTICLE II.

This Society shall consist of patrons, active members, and life members, to be elected by the Board of Directors.

1. Persons who render distinguished services to the Society may be designated as patrons of the Society. The consenting votes of eight members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary for election to this status. Such election shall carry with it election to life membership in the Society and the privileges attached thereto.

2. Active members shall consist of persons who shall have been elected to membership and shall have paid their dues as herein-after provided.

3. Life members shall consist of persons who shall have been elected to life membership and shall have paid \$50 (fifty dollars) to the Treasurer of the Society.

4. A certain number of observatories, academies of science, astronomical societies, institutions of learning, etc., not to exceed one hundred, shall be designated by the Board of Directors as corresponding institutions, and they shall receive the publications of the Society in exchange or otherwise.

The following resolutions were duly adopted by the consenting votes of the above-named nine Directors:—

Resolved, That the following names be placed on the list of Patrons of the Society :

PATRONS OF THE SOCIETY.

EDWARD SINGLETON HOLDEN West Point, N. Y.

JOSEPH A. DONOHUE.†

ALEXANDER MONTGOMERY.†

CATHERINE WOLFE BRUCE.†

JOHN DOLBEER †

WILLIAM ALVORD.†

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY PIERSON.†

† Deceased.

Resolved, That the Bruce Medalists shall be entitled to receive the publications of the Society gratis.

Resolved, That the Publication Committee be instructed as follows: Whenever a list of members of the Society is published, there shall be printed, first the names of the "Bruce Medalists," under that heading and in the order of the bestowal of the medal. This shall be followed by the names of the "Patrons of the Society," under that heading and in the order in which the distinguished services were rendered. These lists shall be followed by the names of "Members of the Society," under that heading, arranged in alphabetical order. The names of deceased Patrons and of Bruce Medalists shall be continued on the lists.

Adjourned